



# Rugeley & Armitage Camera Club Newsletter

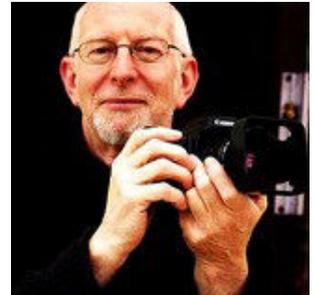
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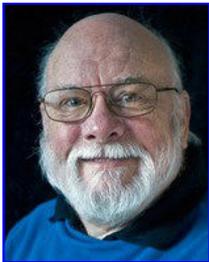
Our new season began on Monday 12th September

### Last Week

Last week our Guest Speaker was John Watson who gave us his talk and presentation titled "Adventures in Music Photography". John began by saying most of his pictures involved 'low light' and not 'low life'. John started his working life as a newspaper reporter in Liverpool. He told of the time he interviewed John Lennon at the premier of 'A Hard Day's Night'. Not bad he thought for a seventeen year old! During this phase he spent as much time as he could with the newspapers photographer learning as much as he could. Over his career John has photographed many of the great jazz musicians. He said that often the hardest part was actually getting into the venue. John showed us many wonderful images. He also demonstrated to the audience how to squat on the floor and turn yourself into a 'tripod'. This was all very well and good but some members then wanted to know how to get up again..!! John finished by answering questions from the floor. An excellent evening



### This Week - Practical Evening 26th September



For our first Practical Evening of the season Bob Moore will be visiting us. Bob is a very experienced photographer being a past president of the Royal Photographic Society and a regular contributor to photographic magazines. He is a winner of over 300 awards in National and International photography exhibitions and thus comes highly recommended.

Bob will give us advice on Use of Cameras, flashguns & filters and other camera settings. This will be followed by Photoshop techniques and an introduction to Topaz Software.

### First Monthly Competition Monday 3rd October



Entries for the first monthly competition need to be in by THIS MONDAY - 26th September  
PRINTS - subject OPEN  
Judge Peter Siviter

### If you require any help or advice.....

If any member requires help or advice on any aspect of photography please don't hesitate to ask. There will (nearly) always be someone who knows the answer. No question is too basic. We would like more members to enter our monthly competitions.

### Plum Pudding Allotments End of Season Barbeque Saturday 24th September



Burgers, Hotdogs, Jacket Spuds cheese or beans plus salad and a drink. All for only £2.

Everyone Welcome

### Club Day Out - Doxey Marshes Stafford Friday Afternoon 28th October

Margaret Beardsmore has proposed an afternoon at Doxey Marshes Stafford followed by an optional visit to a local hostelry. There will be no charge but donations to St Giles much appreciated.

More details to follow. [Website Doxey Marshes](http://WebsiteDoxeyMarshes)



### Birthday Wishes this week go to:

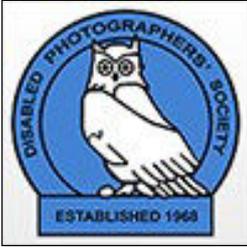
29th Sept: Alan Griffiths

30th Sept: Clive Dunkey

Hope you both have a great day

### Staffordshire Wildlife Trusts

If anyone is thinking of visiting any of the Staffordshire Wildlife Trusts, have a word with Paddy Ruske first as he will have a list of all up to date sightings.



## Disabled Photographers Society

As most of you will already know, our President Roy Hodgkiss is heavily involved with raising funds for the Disabled Photographers Society. Each year at the Photography Show at the NEC the DPS have a stand where they sell photographic equipment donated by the general public. Although the show is usually held around March time if you have ANY items of photographic gear you don't want then please begin bringing it to the club. Roy will happily take it off your hands. Nothing is too small. Thank you.

## Staffordshire Photographic Clubs Annual PDI Competition

It's that time again. The Annual Staffordshire Photographic Clubs PDI Competition is to be held on Wednesday 9th November at Longford Social Club Cannock. As you may remember we did extremely well last year, finishing in third place. Wouldn't it be great if we could equal or even better that position this year.

So to that end we will again be asking for images for the selection committee to consider.

### For Sale

#### Lowepro Flipside 400AW Bag

Pine Green & Black - Good condition.

Please contact Hilary Thomas

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**Money will be donated to club funds.**



From Lowepro website

*This high-performance, large-capacity backpack is purpose built for the outdoor pro photographer or serious enthusiast looking for extra security, body-side access and all-weather protection.*

*Contoured shoulder straps and padded waistbelt help evenly distribute weight and provide extra comfort*

*Body-side access for added security and quick access to gear while wearing*

*Adjustable and padded camera compartment for easy customisation of gear*

*Front storage panel for extra accessories and small personal items*

*Built-in All Weather AW Cover™ protects gear from the elements*

*Hideaway Tripod Mount™ secures a tripod to the pack*

*Silent zipper pulls provide quiet access around film crews or wildlife*

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## Lichfield Parade - Defence Medical Services - Wednesday 28th September

A special parade will be held in Lichfield in recognition of Defence Medical Services Whittington being awarded the Freedom of the City of Lichfield; the highest honour that the city can bestow.

On Wednesday September 28 at 3.30pm the parade, which is open to the public and free to attend, will feature hundreds of military personnel accompanied by the Queens Division Band, field gun, armaments and local cadets.

As well as the show of support for our Armed Services there may also of course be some excellent photo opportunities. More information here: [Lichfield Parade](#)

## Ocean Film Festival - Gatehouse Theatre Stafford - 7th October

For those who like nature films this is surely one evening not to be missed. Brought to you by the producers of the Banff Film Festival this extraordinary collection of short films document the beauty and power of the ocean.

For more information see here: [Ocean Film Festival](#) and for tickets see here: [Stafford Gatehouse Theatre](#)